

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA**

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Temples Covered under PRASAD Scheme
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of the temples of Maharashtra covered under the National Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spirituality Augmentation Drive (PRASAD) introduced by the Government; and
- (b) the number of temples across the country covered under this drive?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) and (b): Ministry of Tourism has launched a new Plan Scheme 'National Mission on Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Augmentation Drive' (PRASAD) in the year 2014-15 for development and beautification of pilgrimage sites of the country. No site in Maharashtra is currently identified under the scheme. However, Identification of more destinations under the scheme is a continuous process, subject to availability of resources.

The sites identified across the country under the scheme are, Amritsar, Ajmer, Kedarnath, Dwarka,, Mathura, Varanasi, Gaya, Kamakhya, Puri, Amravati, Kanchipuram, Velankanni and Patna.
